House Resolution No. 2840

Whereas, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives were truly saddened to learn of the death of Robert C. "Porky" Ryan on Tuesday, February 17, 2004; and

Whereas, a member of Our Lady of Holy Cross Church, Robert Ryan was also an active participant in Knights of Columbus Santa Cruz Council, Veterans of Foreign Wars, Alton Eagles, and Saint Louis Amphibious activities; and

Whereas, Robert Ryan honorably served his country and state through enlistment in the United States Navy during the perilous times of World War II and the Korean Conflict; and

Whereas, Robert Ryan was a devoted citizen who served as an elected Alderman for the city of Pine Lawn, on the Board of the Normandy Fire Protection District, as a firefighter and Captain for the Pine Lawn Fire District, and as a deputy coroner for Saint Louis County; and

Whereas, during his retirement years Robert Ryan enjoyed traveling with the Gateway Winnies RV Club: and

Whereas, the widower of the late Sarah B. Ginn and June A. O'Neil, Robert Ryan again found love and affection through his marriage to the former Mary L. Quinn who survives him along with his children, Sally and Tom Boisseau, Michael Ryan, William R. and Patricia Ryan, Thomas J. Ryan, and John "Tim" and Peggy Ryan; his sister, Patricia Olsen; and numerous stepchildren, grandchildren, great-grandchildren; nephews; and nieces; and

Whereas, Robert Ryan was preceded in death by his siblings, Thomas J. Ryan, John Ryan, and Anne Goebel:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, join unanimously to memorialize the life and work of Robert Ryan and to convey this legislative body's most heartfelt condolences to his many family members, friends, colleagues, and neighbors who now miss his considerable warmth and light in their daily lives; and

Be it further resolved that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution in memory of Robert C. Ryan of Saint Louis, Missouri.

I, Catherine L. Hanaway, Speaker of the House of Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, Second Regular Session, do certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House Resolution No. 2840, adopted May 7, 2004.